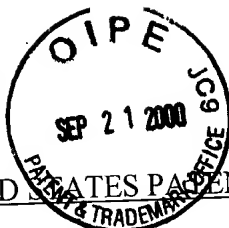


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Serial No.: 09/125,953 Group Art Unit: 1655
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PREFERENCED CANCER METHASTASIS FORMATION

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 21, 2000, said period of response being extended from July 21, 2000 to September 21, 2000. A one-month extension was inadvertently requested on July 20, 2000 and the fee of \$110.00 was paid for a large entity. Since the fee was not required on July 20, 2000 to extend the term, this amount should be applied to this request. The remaining fee owed is \$80.00 for a small entity.

Our check in the amount of \$80 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

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